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SUBJECT: OAS REFORM, COUNTRY REVIEW PROCESS

STATE 22265

1. WE CONSIDER THAT THE COUNTRY REVIEW SERVES USEFUL PURPOSES. IT REQUIRES GOVERNMENTS TO CRITICALLY ASSESS THEIR OWN DEVELOPMENT POLICIES AND PERFORMANCE AND SUBJECT THEM TO INTERNATIONAL SCRUTINY. IT ALSO PRODUCES INFORMATION, ANALYSIS, AND DATA WHICH ARE USEFUL TO EMBASSIES, AND INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE AGENCIES.

2. WE FAVOR ALTERNATIVE 2. COUNTRY REVIEWS HELD UNDER THE AEGIS OF THE IDB WOULD HAVE GREATER PSYCHOLOGICAL IMPACT BECAUSE THE IDB IS MAJOR LENDER. THUS, COUNTRIES PROBABLY WOULD ATTEMPT TO IMPROVE THEIR PRESENTATIONS AND GIVE MORE ATTENTION TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS OF THE REVIEW. IN ADDITION, THE IDB, AS SPONSOR, MIGHT BECOME MORE FORCEFUL AND EFFECTIVE IN ADVOCATING BENEFICIAL CHANGES IN DEVELOPMENT POLICIES.

3. WITHOUT MAKING INQUIRIES OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS,
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WHICH WE DO NOT BELIEVE WERE CONTEMPLATED IN THE

DEPARTMENT'S INSTRUCTION, WE CANNOT BE CERTAIN WHAT POSITION
COSTA RICA WOULD ADOPT VIS-A-VIS THE THREE ALTERNATIVES.
WE BELIEVE, HOWEVER, THAT COSTA RICA NEITHER OPPOSES NOR STRONGLY
FAVORS THE COUNTRY REVIEWS AND THAT THE GOCR WOULD
PROBABLY BE WILLING TO GO ALONG WITH ANY OF THE
THREE ALTERNATIVES THAT APPEALED TO A MAJORITY OF THE
COUNTRIES CONCERNED. TODMAN

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